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Dr. Tyler Booker named interim principal for Elba High School

by **Linda Hodge**, Editor

The Elba Board of Education met for an emergency called meeting Tuesday evening, Jan. 7, where actions taken led to Dr. Tyler Booker being named the interim principal for Elba High School.

Superintendent Donny Powell recommended the board approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Dr. Warren Weeks, who had been serving as principal of the high school. No further details were provided by Powell or board members as to what information was included in that memorandum.

Board attorney Merrill Shirley noted the motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding needed to call for the board president, Johnny Senn, to sign, and board vice president, Kristy Astemborski, to attest to it.

The motion to approve was passed unanimously by the board.

Following that action, Powell recommended the board appoint Dr. Tyler Booker as the interim principal for Elba High School. He said this would most likely be until March.

Dr. Tyler Booker

Powell said the plan is to post the principal's job in February and make an official hire in March.

Dr. Booker has been serving as the Special Education Coordinator and Federal Programs Coordinator for Elba City Schools.

No further actions were taken during the called meeting.

Wiregrass Camellia Club to meet Jan. 21st in New Brockton, Alabama

The Wiregrass Camellia Club announced this week that its next meeting would be Tuesday, Jan. 21, at 3:30 p.m. The group meets inside the First Baptist Church fellowship hall in New Brockton.

Meetings are open to anyone interested in Camellia plants and flower gardening.

According to club member Dr. John Granger, Bill and Linda Nichols will at the next meeting, and if weather cooperates, they will bring many beautiful Camellia blossoms.

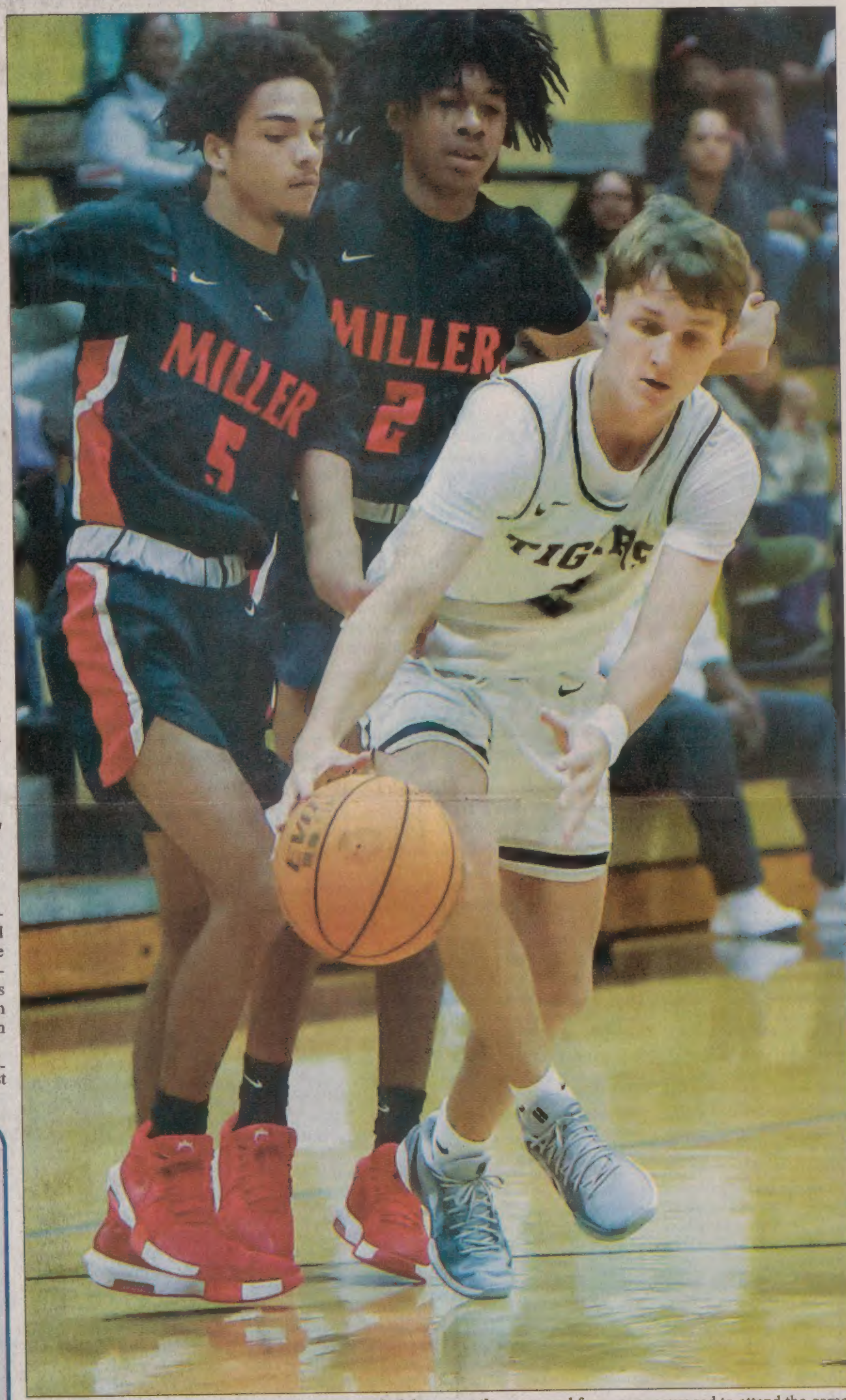
"If you have some not hurt by the cold, we invite you to bring them as well," he said. The Nichols also will share some of their best experiences with growing Camellias, and they will give away a few plants. Among those are some tea plants from the Camellia family.

Lydia Cuni, garden manager of the Dothan Botanical Gardens, plans to be at the meeting to share an invitation to that organization's special Camellia program set for Saturday, Jan. 25, in Dothan.

Refreshments will be provided during the Jan. 21st meeting in New Brockton.

Reminder:

The Elba City Council will meet Monday, Jan. 13, for the regular bi-monthly meeting. There will be a workshop preceding the meeting. The council meeting begins promptly at 5:30 p.m. All council meetings are open to the public.



High school basketball is underway for boys and girls across the area, and fans are encouraged to attend the games to show support for their favorite teams. More information on each week's action can be found in the Sports section of The Elba Clipper. Above, Elba Tiger Jay Wilson is shown in a recent game for Elba played at Elba High School.

At regular meeting Monday night, Jan. 6, Brother Zachery Spann turned in his Entered Apprentice Lesson. Everyone enjoyed the food, fellowship, and work tonight at Elba Masonic Lodge 170. Those pictured include (front, l to r) Dale Stewart, Mike Amison, Blake Miller, Shane Spears, Zachery Spann, Mark Davis, Mark Davis, Jerome Blackmon, Seth Hanchey, Steve Dewberry, Shawn Sayer, and Drexell Richards; (middle, l to r) Matt Brunson Sr., Justin Prescott, Jeff Skeen, Duran McNeil, Eddie Spann, Mike Murphy, Johnny Ray Davis, Chris Kelley, and Scott Cole; and (back, l to r) Allan Crenshaw, Daniel Stephens, Matt Brunson Jr., Ethen Dodd, Michael Phelps, Tommy Morrow, Troy Gideon III, and Larry Shaw. Picture taken by Chris Sanders.

Area Happenings

The United States Postal Service will close all locations, including the Elba location, Thursday, Jan. 9, for the National Day of Observance for Former President Jimmy Carter. The Postal Service will suspend regular mail deliveries and retail services on Thursday. Regular operations will resume Friday, Jan. 10th.

The Elba Evergreen Cemetery Board will meet Thursday, Jan. 9, at 6 p.m., at Elba City Hall. This meeting is open to the public.

City of Elba offices will be closed Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Garbage pickup will its normal schedule on this day.

Elba Lions Club will meet Tuesday, Jan. 28 at 6 p.m. at the Elba Senior Citizens Center. Topic of discussion will be the annual Pancake Breakfast set for March 1st. All members are asked to attend.

Altrusa of Jack will host "It's a Galentines Celebration, Yall!" on Saturday, Feb. 1, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Elba Theatre, 231 Court Ave., Elba, Ala. This will include shopping, food, drinks, contests, prizes, and more. Proceeds to benefit the Coffee County Chapter of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Advance tickets are $20 (there is a limited supply). Open to those age 18 and older. Must show valid ID for alcohol purchases.

EDITORIAL

Laken Riley Act introduced in 119th Congress by senators

U.S. Senator Katie Britt (R-Ala.), a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, this week announced the introduction of her first bill of the 119th Congress, the Laken Riley Act.

Joining Senator Britt in reintroducing this companion bill in the Senate are Senators Ted Budd (R-N.C.), Majority Leader John Thune (R-S.Dak.), John Fetterman (D-Pa.), and the entire Senate Republican Conference. This legislation was originally introduced in the House of Representatives by Congressman Mike Collins (R-Ga.).

"It's impossible to fully describe what was taken from Laken and from our family on February 22, 2024. Laken's life was abundantly and exceptionally full of promise. She was a beautiful, shining beacon in the life of everyone who knew her. Not only did the people who knew and loved Laken lose a beautiful soul, but so did our world. Laken shared her love for Jesus with everyone she encountered. Laken's passion for sharing her faith through acts of kindness were felt by everyone she met. Laken was selfless, hardworking and made those around her feel special. Laken did not just talk about her faith, she led by example," said Allyson and John Phillips, Laken Riley's mother and stepfather. "The Laken Riley Act has our full support because it would help save innocent lives and prevent more families from going through the kind of heartbreak we've experienced. Laken would have been 23 on January 10th. There is no greater gift that could be given to her and our country than to continue her legacy by saving lives through this bill. Every single member of Congress should be able to get behind this purely commonsense bill that will make our country and communities safer. We thank Congressman Mike Collins, Senator Katie Britt, and Senator Ted Budd for continuing to work to honor Laken's legacy and get this legislation enacted into law."

The Laken Riley Act would require U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) to arrest illegal aliens who commit theft, burglary, larceny, or shoplifting offenses and would mandate that these aliens are detained until they are removed from the United States so they cannot reoffend and commit further crimes. This legislation would also ensure states have standing to bring civil actions against federal officials who refuse to enforce immigration law or who violate the law.

"Last year, Laken Riley was stolen from this earth—from her family and friends and from achieving her dreams—by a brutal, heartless killer. Make no mistake—he never should have been in the United States, much less allowed to freely roam American streets after being charged with multiple crimes. Laken's murder was the direct consequence of willful open border policies," said Senator Britt.

"The American people did not just deliver a mandate on November 5th, they delivered a verdict. They made it clear they want to remove criminal illegal aliens and protect American families. We will soon know whether Democrats hear, respect, and obey that verdict. Congress has an obligation to Laken, her family, and to families in every corner of our country to do everything in our power to help prevent this type of tragedy from occurring again. That's why it's imperative we pass the commonsense Laken Riley Act with all due haste. No other American family needs to feel the pain Laken's family still feels 320 days after losing her," continued Senator Britt.

"What happened to Laken Riley should never happen to any American citizen. As we turn the page from the disastrous open-border policies of Joe Biden, the Laken Riley Act will empower the Trump administration to enforce our laws, keep our nation secure, and prevent tragedies. I thank Senator Britt for her partnership and her leadership in this bipartisan effort," said Senator Budd.

"Laken Riley's horrific murder at the hands of an illegal alien should have never happened," said Senator Thune. "There is an urgent need to take action regarding the border crisis to protect the American people, which is why this is the first bill the Senate will vote on this Congress. This shouldn't be a partisan issue – it's a matter of basic public safety and common sense, and the Senate has a responsibility to act."

"Laken Riley's story is a tragic reminder of what's at stake when our systems fail to protect people. No family should have to endure the pain of losing a loved one to preventable violence," said Senator Fetterman. "Immigration is what makes our country great. I support giving authorities the tools to prevent tragedies like this one while we work on comprehensive solutions to our broken system."

"An illegal criminal came into my district and killed Laken Riley because our local law enforcement did not have the tools to stop him. Laken fought until her last breath, and so will I until this bill crosses the finish line and lands on the President's desk," said Representative Collins.

Since taking office, Senator Britt has been a champion for securing America's southern border and enforcing immigration law across our nation's interior. Last Congress, she and Senator Budd introduced the Senate companion to the Laken Riley Act, after its introduction in the House by Rep. Collins. In the 118th Congress, the legislation passed the House in an overwhelming bipartisan vote of 251-170. Senate Democrats, however, refused to give the bill a committee hearing or floor consideration.

Windy Thoughts

with Linda Hodge, Editor

A bit of a warning for those who might be dropping off donations to the Christian Mission Center in Elba during times the store is closed -- a citizen recently made us aware that they had seen folks taking said donations that had been dropped off by the doors of the building. So, if you don't want your 'donations' to be carted off before the store workers can get to them, we strongly suggest that you only drop off the donations during regular times of business!

Well, folks, we finally got a good dose of cold weather this week as daily highs only reached the mid 40s and lows dropped into the upper 20s at night. The really blistering part of the cold has been the wind! We pumped gas for Monday night into our vehicle, and it was not a pleasant experience. As soon as the car was full again, we jumped into the vehicle and made sure the seat warmers were on high to help offset the chills running through our body. These colder than normal temps are expected to hang around for several more days during this January, be sure to keep those jacket and coats close by to help you stay warm when outside.

The little guys and gals have started playing basketball in the youth leagues this season. We encourage you to go out and support them as they stay active and have a little fun at the same time. If you haven't been to a youth sporting event in a while, we assure you it is still loads of fun to watch the little one learn to play the games! You are guaranteed to smile a time or two as you watch the action. Check with your local recreation department for the daily schedule. Most generally have them posted on their social media sites.

Recently, two Elba High School golf team members have announced commitments to play the game at the collegiate level. Senior Trace Grantham intends to play golf with the LBW Community College Saints after he graduates from Elba High School while junior Jay Wilson just announced his commitment to Columbus State University's golf program. We have watched both these young men grow up here in Elba, and they both are not only great golfers but are also fine young men. Their families are to be commended on a job well done in raising these two. They have helped lead the Elba High School golf program into a championship program, and we expect they will do the same in their collegiate careers. For now, though, we remain excited about their upcoming season for the Elba Tigers this spring. Congrats to both Trace and Jay! We are super proud of and for you both!!

Elba Police Report

This report reflects activity for the Elba Police Department from Monday, Dec. 23, 2024, through Monday, Dec. 30, 2024, as reported to and dispatched from the Coffee County 911 Dispatch Center –

Monday, Dec 30 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 1525 Edgewood Dr (6:05 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 1149 Oak Ave (9:31 a.m.); Damage to property reported at 627 Mullins Circle (6:32 p.m.); Intoxicated person reported at 2540 Taylor Mill Rd (8:09 p.m.). Seven traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, four written warnings, and two citations.

Tuesday, Dec. 31 – Disorderly person reported at 1007 Forest Ave (4:37 p.m.); Verbal altercation reported at 389 Tucker Ave (7:40 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 4460 Hwy 84 (11:36 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in three written warnings, and two verbal warnings.

Wednesday, Jan. 1 – Suspicious circumstances reported at 1578 Caroline St (4:20 a.m.); Report of shots fired at 640 Reynolds Ave (5:21 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 234 Old Samson Rd (2:19 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 997 Winston Ave (3:56 p.m.); Man with a Gun reported at 16 Jackson St (8:18 p.m.); Report of shots fired at 315 Taylor Ave (10:43 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one citation and one written warning.

Thursday, Jan. 2 – Animal complaint reported at 716 Williams Ave – w/impound (1:28 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1649 Boswell St (2:49 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 2732 Hickman Ave (5:19 p.m.). Twelve traffic stops resulted in three citations, four verbal warnings, and five written warnings.

Friday, Jan. 3 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 505 Hwy 203 (5:22 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1499 E Davis St – w/impound (12:46 p.m.); Harassing communications reported at 607 Davis St W (9:09 p.m.); Report of shots fired in area of Reynolds Ave and Martin Luther King Dr (10:35 p.m.). Five traffic stops resulted in one citation, three written warnings, and one verbal warning.

Saturday, Jan. 4 – Criminal mischief reported at 715 Reese Ave (10:03 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 284 County Rd 401 (10:33 a.m.); Suspicious person reported at 371 Tiger Dr (11:43 a.m.). Four traffic stops resulted in one written warning, one citation, and two verbal warnings.

Sunday, Jan. 5 – Theft of property reported at 873 Cedar Lane Dr (3:32 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 707 Roosevelt Dr (9:14 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 243 Old Samson Rd (11:00 a.m.); Vehicle accident reported at 1883 County Rd 404 (5:53 p.m.); Trespassing/ Unwanted Guest reported at 121 Cordelia Ave N (11:54 p.m.).

Monday, Jan. 6 – Theft of property reported at 6134 County Rd 410 (10:36 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 203 Riverview Dr (1:46 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 434 Old Samson Rd (2:03 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 923 Roosevelt Dr (2:17 p.m.); Reckless driver reported on Hwy 84 (5:19 p.m.); Vehicle accident reported at Hwy 84 and County Rd 501 (5:21 p.m.); Trespassing/ Unwanted Guest reported at 839 Troy Hwy (6:08 p.m.); Abandoned/ Suspicious vehicle reported at Sawyer St and First Ave (6:21 p.m.); Reckless driver reported at Hwy 87 and County Rd 315 (7:38 p.m.). Thirteen traffic stops resulted in six written warnings, and seven citations.

Cuzin Lou Lou's Tales from Yonder

Editor's Note: Cuzin Lou Lou's tales are to be enjoyed as a light-hearted form of Southern expression

Cuzin Lou Lou and Sister ventured off last weekend to a home improvement store with Papa to help him acquire some needed materials for an at-home project. As with any Yonder Gang trip, it proved to be quite the adventure!

Soon after the gang arrived at the store, Lou Lou ventured off to another area while Papa began his search for the materials. Sister remained in the same area as Papa, and when Lou Lou came back the look on Sister's face let her know right away that it had already been just as 'fun' as Lou Lou imagined.

Sister immediately gave Lou Lou her infamous eye roll.

"What in the name of Yonder has he done already?!?!" she asked Sister.

Turns out Papa had located a store associate to assist him, and the young man had gotten more than he bargained for in his attempt to help.

"He keeps telling the guy things he needs, and he is confusing him," Sister said. "They store associate has said several times he has never heard of the things Papa is trying to find."

Again, she gave that eyeroll.

"Well...you know what the problem is, don't you?" Lou Lou asked.

"No. What?"

"Papa is asking for the things by the name he calls them not what they are actually named!" Lou Lou told her.

"What in the name of Yonder?!?!" was all Sister could respond.

It was at this point that Lou Lou approached Papa and the sales associate. She quickly apologized to the associate for Papa, and said he 'thinks' he knows what he is looking for but really does not.

The associate just laughed and gave a no problem reply to Lou Lou.

The poor fella got away from Papa for a bit to help another customer, but he was not finished with him yet. He had to return later to cut some wire for Papa.

By this time Sister had already asked for the keys to Lou Lou's Jeep and left the building. It was probably another half hour before Lou Lou got Papa out of the store with the hopes they had gotten all needed to do the job.

Her first words to Sister as they got in the Jeep to head home was, "Next trip he's yours!"

That comment was met with a very emphatic "no way" from Sister. She contends she is not the one to take on shopping duty with Papa. That is all Lou Lou, according to Sister.

Apparently, helping Papa with this at-home projects also falls on Lou Lou's shoulders too as Sister was no where to be found when Papa needed someone to climb in the attic for him!

Sister's day is coming... Lou Lou promises. She is going to make sure she gets her time 'helping' Papa with one of his 'we can do it on our own" instead of paying a professional to complete certains tasks!

The project is nearing completion now, and so far no one has been injured. So, there is that to be grateful for because it is not always the case when Papa and Lou Lou work on projects together!

Until next time...God Bless and Keep Smiling.

City Of ELBA

NOTICE

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank National Security for sharing their Nativity Scene with the city and surrounding areas.

I have always enjoyed it and for years did not realize you could watch the wisemen approach the Nativity Scene from the east. Day by day they made progress until they finally arrived at Christmas. In years past, you could watch them return east for days until the first of the year.

I do not know how long National Security has been doing this but I have enjoyed it for as long as I remember. I recognize this takes effort and time and would like all to know that it is noticed and valued. It matters when we can celebrate together as a community.

Sincerely,
Lucia Grantham

ALEA shares winter weather safety tips admist arctic blast affecting Alabama this week

As winter weather arrives this week, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA) urges all citizens to prioritize their safety on the roads by taking essential steps to winterize their vehicles and practice safe driving techniques during ad-verse weather conditions.

ALEA Secretary Hal Taylor said, "Without notice, weather conditions can change dramatically. Our Agency has prepared for the incoming winter weather, with all divisions and units developing and implementing winter-weather operation plans. These efforts will ensure that both ALEA Troopers and Special Agents are fully prepared to aid and assist motorists traveling throughout the state. If you have not already taken precautions, we strongly encourage everyone to prepare for the incoming weather and we recommend winterizing your vehicle, practicing safe driving behaviors, as well as staying weather aware. In the event conditions worsen, we urge motorists to adjust travel plans and avoid driving in severe weather."

It is crucial to ensure that vehicles are adequately prepared. Below are some tips to winterize your vehicle:

Check Your Battery: Cold temperatures can affect battery performance. Have your battery tested to ensure it's in good condition.

Inspect Tires: Ensure your tires have proper tread depth and are inflated correctly for improved traction.

Fluid Levels: Check and top off all fluids, including antifreeze, oil, and windshield washer fluid, to withstand freezing temperatures.

Wipers and Lights: Replace worn wiper blades and test all headlights and taillights for optimal visibility during winter storms.

Emergency Kit: Prepare an emergency kit to keep in your vehicle containing items such as blankets, non-perishable snacks, water, a flashlight, jumper cables, a first aid kit, and essential tools. This kit can be a lifesaver in case of a breakdown or being stranded until help arrives.

When the roads become icy and hazardous, practicing safe driving habits is imperative. Here are essential tips for driving in winter weather:

Avoid Cruise Control: Steering sensitivity can change on icy roads, leading to loss of vehicle control. It's important to stay attentive and in control, especially on bridges and overpasses.

Slow Down: Reduced speeds help you maintain better control of your vehicle in slippery conditions.

Increase Following Distance: Give yourself extra space between your vehicle and the one ahead, allowing more time to react if you need to stop.

Be Cautious on Bridges and Overpasses: These areas freeze more quickly than regular roadways. Approach them with caution.

Watch for Black Ice: This thin, nearly invisible layer of ice can form on roadways, especially in shaded areas. If you encounter black ice, remain calm, gently ease off the accelerator, and steer in the direction you want to go.

Stay Informed: Monitor local weather conditions and alerts. Plan your route and avoid unnecessary travel during severe weath-er. Monitor local news for information on weather conditions and travel advisories, and check road conditions at https://algotraffic.com/.

The Alabama Law Enforcement Agency is committed to public safety and encourages everyone to take these precautions seri-ous-ly. By winterizing your vehicle and following safe driving practices, you can help prevent crashes and ensure your well-being this winter season.

Follow ALEA on social media @ALEAProtects for more infor-mation on vehicle safety and winter preparation tips.

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Obituaries

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ANNIE SUE WAMBLES

Mrs. Annie Sue Wambles, age 84, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025, at Noland Hospital in Dothan, Ala.

Graveside services were held Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2025, from the Ino Assembly of God Church Cemetery with Rev. Derek Snellgrove officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wambles was preceded in death by her husband, John E. Wambles, along with her parents, Minnie Lee and Charlie Danford.

Survivors include her daughter: Vickie Wambles, Elba; a brother: Wayne Danford, Opp, Ala.; two sisters: Wavene Harrelson, Dothan, Ala., and Wanda Brooks, Panama City, Fla.

BOBBY R. SIMPSON

Mr. Bobby R. Simpson, age 81, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, Dec. 30, 2024, at his home in Elba.

Funeral services were held Friday, Jan. 3, 2025, from Elba Church of Christ with Min. John Poitevint officiating. Burial followed in the Liberty Church of Christ Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Simpson was preceded in death by his father, Clarence Ollie Simpson, mother, Mary Magdelene Simpson, and grandson, Dakota James Simpson.

Survivors include his wife of over 59 years: Geneva Simpson, Elba; son: James (Marissa) Simpson, Elba; granddaughters: Alana Louanne, Cayla Leann, and Gwendolyn Mary Louise; sister: Alice Fay Cochran, Phoenix, Ariz.; and brother: Paul Anthony Simpson, Cullman, Ala.

CABERT EARL MILLS

Mr. Cabert Earl Mills, age 85, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Sunday, Dec. 29, 2024, at his daughter's home in Fairhope, Ala.

Cabert was a lifetime resident of Elba. He always enjoyed spending time with family and friends and watching Alabama football games. Golf was a favorite hobby in his younger years. In recent years, he enjoyed playing dominoes with his close friends at the Elba Country Club. He was a long-time member of the First Baptist Church of Elba. Graveside services were held Monday, Jan. 6, 2025, from Evergreen Cemetery with Rev. Kit Johnson officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda Pearce Mills, along with his parents, Nancy Gertrude Mills and Lawrence Mills, and a brother, Bobby Mills.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Molly and Andrew William Mosley, and a granddaughter, Alexandra Reagan Nelson, all of Fairhope.

DEBRA ANN LEGER

Ms. Debra Ann Leger, age 55, a resident of Jack, Ala., died Friday, Jan. 3, 2025, at Providence Hospital in Mobile, Ala.

Graveside services were held Monday, Jan. 6, 2025, from the Zion Chapel Cemetery with Rev. Ashley Faulk officiating. Burial followed under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home.

Debra was preceded in death by her father, James L. Debice.

Survivors include her mother: Jennie Rushing Debice, Jack; and a son: Michael Christopher Leger, Troy, Ala.

HARRY WAYNE CROOK

Lt. Col Harry Wayne Crook, U.S. Air Force (Retired), age 77, died Tuesday, Dec. 31, 2024, at the Enterprise Nursing & Rehab Center.

Originally from Columbus, Ga. and an alumnus of Florida University, Lt. Col Crook devoted 23 years of his life to the U.S. Air Force, retiring in Troy, Ala. He later made his home in Enterprise, where he continued to serve his community and was an active member of the First Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Jan. 4, 2025, at First Baptist Church in Enterprise. Burial with Military Honors followed in the Victoria Community Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home of Elba directing.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Parkinson's Foundation, 5757 Waterford District Drive Suite 310, Miami, FL 33126.

He was preceded in death by his father, MSgt William Randolph Crook, and his mother, Cupidean Wise Crook.

Survivors include his wife: Betty Calhoun Crook; his son: Christopher (Summer) Crook; stepson: Clark Tucker; and three grandchildren: Alivia (Jacob) Francis, Ian Tucker, and Lily Crook.

LYNDA NELL SENN

Mrs. Lynda Nell Senn, age 76, of Jack, Ala., died Thursday, Jan. 2, 2025, at her home.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 5, 2025, at Jack Assembly of God Church with Rev. Chad Fuller, Rev. Jimmy Eddins, and Rev. Andy Marler officiating. Burial followed in the Jack Assembly of God Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Lynda's wishes were to be carried to her final resting place by her family members. In accordance with her wishes, serving as pallbearers were Don Senn, Christopher Senn, Tim Hodges, Colt Anderson, Steve Carter, and Hunner Barnes. Honorary pallbearers were Pat Senn, Larry Miller, Miller Anderson, and Kix Anderson.

Survivors include her husband - Pat Senn, son - Don (Terri) Senn, grandson - Christopher Senn, sister - Jody (Steve) Miller, brother - Larry (Terry) Miller, nieces - Anna (Colt) Anderson, and Shelby (Hunner) Barnes, great-nieces - Adalynn Spicer, and Taylen Barnes, and great-nephews - Miller Anderson, and Kix Anderson, all of Jack, Ala.

TERRY CHANDLER

Ms. Terry Chandler, age 65, of Elba, Ala., died Monday, Jan. 6, 2025, at Medical Center Enterprise in Enterprise, Ala.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 8, 2025, at 2 p.m., from the Hayes Funeral Home Chapel in Elba with Randy Hartley and Rev. Derek Snellgrove officiating. Burial followed in the Veasey Church Cemetery. Visitation was at Hayes Funeral Home on Wednesday, from 1-2 p.m.

Survivors include her daughter: Angie (Bradon) Tillery, Elba; son: Shawn (Jorden) Chandler, Opp, Ala.; brothers: Larry (Becky) Chandler, Chancellor, Ala., Ricky Chandler, New Brockton, Ala.; sisters: Sherry (Ray) Hudson, Brantley, Ala., Rita (Ricky) Mitchell, Opp; special friends: Billy & Patti Parrish; and 11 grandchildren.

GARY DAVIS

Mr. Gary Davis, age 64, of Elba, Ala., died at his home surrounded by family after a brief illness. Funeral arrangements will be announced by Hayes Funeral Home of Elba.

THOMAS POORE

Mr. Thomas Poore, age 57, of Elba, Ala., died in Elba Nursing & Rehab center. Arrangements will be announced upon completion by Hayes Funeral Home & Cremations.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Jessica Paige Bassett, Deceased
CASE NO.: PR-2024-193

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR

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IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF DAVID GRAYSON MAIN, Deceased
CASE NO: PR-2024-219

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS
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Administrator of said Estate
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IN THE PROBATE OFFICE OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ENTERPRISE DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES H. LEVERETTE, Deceased.
CASE NO: PR-2025-001

NOTICE TO FILE CLAIMS
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Heaven Divinity of New Brockton makes President's List at Georgia Southern

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Heaven Divinity of New Brockton was named to the list for excellence in academics. To be eligible for the President's List, a student must have at least a 4.0 grade point average and carry a minimum of 12 hours for the semester.

Georgia Southern University, a public Carnegie Doctoral/R2 institution founded in 1906, offers approximately 155 different degree programs serving more than 26,100 students.

The Elba Masonic Lodge 170 held a special called meeting Saturday, Dec. 7, to initiate Joseph Blake Miller into Elba Lodge. Everyone enjoyed the food, fellowship, and work for the day. Those pictured include: (front) Drexell Richards, Allan Crenshaw, Robbie Wehunt, Bridge Harrison, Mike Amison E/A William Mark Fitzgerald, Michael Phelps, Mike Murphy, Rónnie Rawls, Eddie Kelley, Scott Cole, Larry Shaw, and Johnny Davis; (middle) James Beasley, Thomas Danner, Steve Green , Daniel Stephens, David Turner, Tom Strickland, Chris Miller, Johnny Ray Davis, Duran McNeil, Will Moore, Tom Nesbit, Jerry Evans, and Jeff Skeen; and (back) Tommy Morrow. Picture taken by Harry Young.

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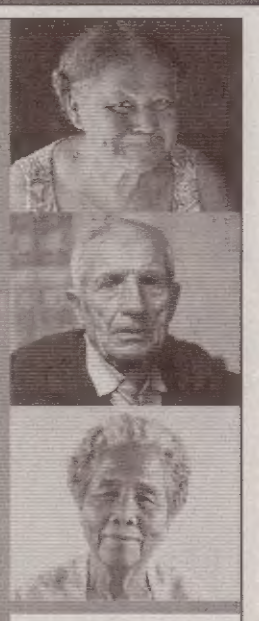

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SPORTS NEWS

Views From The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

It was back to school for our two teachers and grandson this week after a much needed two week break, and while none of them were excited about getting back to the daily grind, they had already looked ahead and found anther day off later this month. I guess when you work in education you always know where the calendar is

For what it is worth….

*** T***he Elba Tigers and Lady Tigers*** barely had enough time to open their Christmas presents before they got back on the court to host the annual 'Pea River Classic' tournament and played three games in three days, and last week didn't even get to sleep in after staying up late to celebrate the new year as they hit the court on both Thursday and Friday for a pair of regular season games. The Tigers almost pulled off an upset on the road at Ariton after dropping their area opener to Brantley and in the process saw their losing streak reach five games. However, once they recover from a rash of on-court and off-court issues I still think Elba can make some noise, especially in area play, and present a threat to any opponent on the schedule. The Lady Tigers lost for only the second time all season at Ariton in a game in which they had two starters foul out, hit only 14 of 25 free-throws, and failed to score in two five-minute scoreless droughts. It was simply life on the road, and hopefully will teach the team some lessons as the season rolls along.

*** ***The new year brought with it*** the beginning of area play in basketball and it looks quite an exciting couple of weeks ahead for the players and fans.

In Class 1A, Area 3, unbeaten Brantley and defending state champion Georgiana are solid favorites to battle for the area crown in boys' action, while Elba and McKenzie should both have a shot at pulling off an upset along the way and moving up in the standings, and Red Level appears to be heading for an opening round game come tournament time. Over on the girls' side, Elba has to be a solid favorite to bring home the title, followed by the Georgiana team that pushed the Lady Tigers to the brink at last year's region tourney. Brantley has enough talent to possibly pull off an upset over one of the top two teams, while one-win McKenzie and winless Red Level should just fill out the field.

In Class 1A, Area, 2, Pleasant Home looks like the early favorite to claim the boys' crown, followed by a talented Florala squad loaded with experience, while Kinston and Emmanuel Christian look like the next two in the standings, and teams with only slight chances to slip into the top two. Over on the girls' side of the court, Kinston carried a 14-game winning streak into the holiday break and has to be the favorite to take home the title, while Pleasant Home and Florala should battle for the number two spot in the standings, followed by Emmanuel Christian.

In Class 2A, Area 3, Luverne appears to be the early favorite on the boys' side, while Goshen, Pike Liberal Arts and Zion Chapel all appear more than capable of claiming the runner-up spot and making noise come tournament time. Over with the girls' teams, Luverne appears to have a clear path at taking home the area title, while the other three teams can all beat each other on any given night, which should make for an interesting couple of weeks on the court.

In Class 4A, Area 4, Bullock County and Straughn are probably favorites heading into area play on the boys' side, while defending area champ New Brockton has been getting better and better as it has competed against some if the state's top teams, and Pike County and Opp both have more than enough talent to get on a run and make noise. As for the girls' side of the bracket, New Brockton and Straughn appear to be early favorites, followed by Straughn, Pike County and Bullock County, probably not in that order.

*** ***If one thing is clear after the opening two rounds*** of the college football playoffs is the fact that the committee has no real clue of what it is doing! The opening round of the playoffs was filled with blowouts between the perennial college powers and the major college 'wannabes,' while in the second round all the teams that were given first round byes lost, making it even clearer that the committee spent too much time trying to be politically correct and not trying to put the best twelve teams in the event. There will never be a time in college football history that twelve teams are deserving of a berth in the playoffs, but there will always be twelve teams that deserve a chance to compete, and that is what the entire thing should be based on – the best 12 teams at the end of the regular season, regardless of what fans of certain conferences may think. I read where one sportswriter stated the playoffs should consist of the top eight teams in the SEC and be filled in with teams from the Big Ten. I am not sure about that, but a six-team split between the two true power conferences would at least create a little more interest, and excitement.

*** ***In closing***…. I have to agree that after one bad season it probably would not make sense to get rid of Alabama football coach Kalen DeBoer. So, why not go ahead and take the first step in the process and get the full attention of DeBoer by firing Alabama athletic director Greg Bryne, the over-rated college administrator that brought him to Alabama even though he was far from the top choice. You can bet DeBoer will make some changes in an attempt to shift the blame of the four-loss season. For once I agree with Paul Finebaum, who said Deboer is on the hot seat already!

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Upset in Ariton

Lady Tigers batter Brantley 56-33

The Elba Lady Tigers returned to the basketball court late last week and claimed an impressive 56-33 area win at home over the Brantley Lady Bulldogs, before being upset 54-50 on the road to the Ariton Lady Cats.

Following are recaps of both games:

Elba 56 Brantley 33

The Elba Lady Tigers tipped off area play with a solid 56-33 home court win over the Brantley Lady Bulldogs.

A'Lyric Whitfield and Lady Stinson combined for 11 points in the opening stanza to help the Lady Tigers race out to an early 17-5 lead, and while Stinson and Ana Caldwell combined for nine points in the second quarter, Brantley's Coco Stamps warmed up from the floor and hit a pair of three-pointers as the Lady Bulldogs crept within 27-18 by the end of the half. Stinson hit her third three-pointer of the night in the third quarter to spark a 21-point Elba explosion as the Lady Tigers upped their lead to 48-26, and the Lady Tiger reserves mopped up the area win in the final stanza.

A'Lyric Whitfield and Lady Stinson scored 15 points, apiece, to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Lady Tigers were Ana Caldwell 11, Malaysia Williams 4, Nyasia McCollough 4, Ayrika Caldwell 3, Javonnie Williams 2 and Jabria Burks 2. Coco Stamps scored 13 points to lead Brantley.

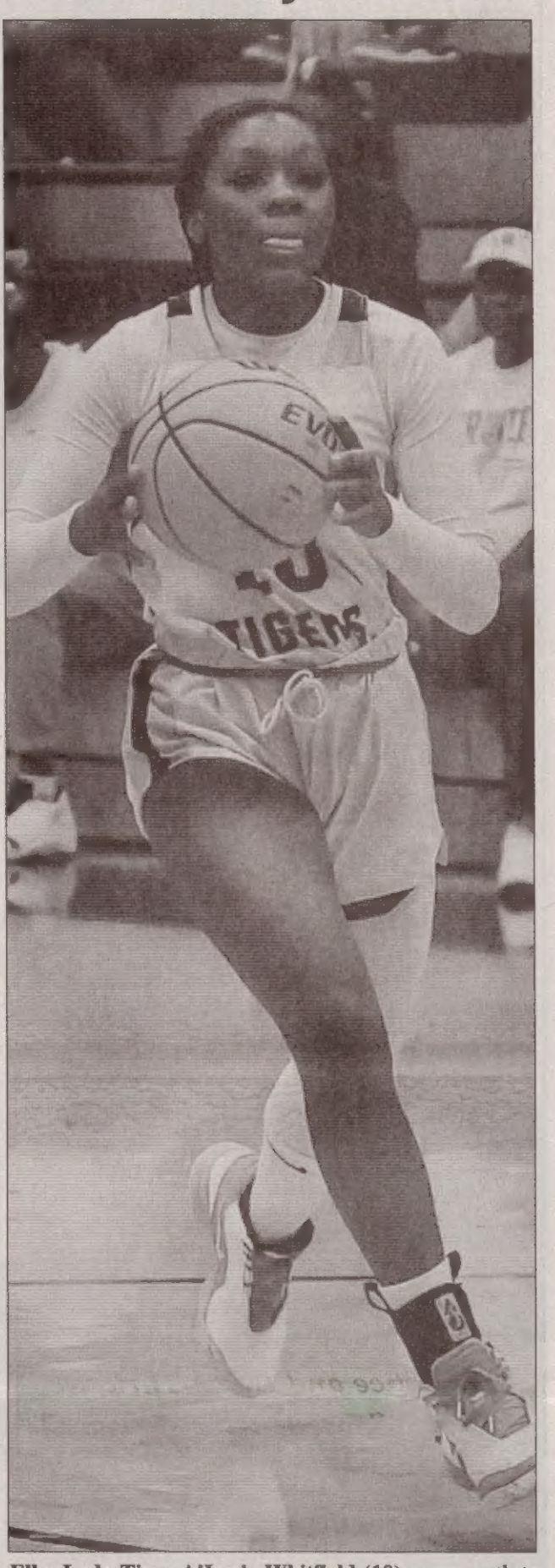
Ariton 54 Elba 50

The Elba Lady Tigers saw two extended scoring droughts prove too much to overcome in a 54-50 road loss to the Ariton Purple Cats, in a game marred by a total of 55 free-throws.

Elba came out ready to play and jumped out to a 5-2 lead with 3:07 left in the opening quarter behind the play of Nyasia McCollough, and turned back a late Ariton rally when A'Lyric Whitfield nailed a long three-pointer to give the Lady Tigers an 11-8 lead heading into the second quarter. The Lady Tigers went over five minutes without a basket to open the second stanza to fall behind 17-11, and while they did close to within 19-16 with 1:50 left in the half on a Lady Stinson free-throw, the Lady Cats closed the quarter with an 8-2 run to carry a 27-18 lead in at the break.

Elba's A'Lyric Whitfield scored six points in a one-minute span early in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 28-25, but Ariton refused to fold and with 1:18 remaining in the quarter was still in command with a 38-31 advantage. A put back by Lady Stinson and a three-pointer from deep in the corner at the buzzer by Ana Caldwell pulled the Lady Tigers within 40-36 heading into the fourth quarter, and when Whitfield converted a three-point play with 7:16 remaining Elba was back on top 41-40. The Lady Tigers lead grew to 44-41 with 6:59 left on a three-pointer by Stinson and stood at 50-45 with 4:01 left on the clock after Stinson's third three-pointer of the stanza. However, the Lady Tigers failed to score again and watched as Ariton closed on a 9-0 run to hand Elba the four-point loss.

A'Lyric Whitfield scored 25 points and Lady Stinson added 12 to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Lady Tigers were Nyasia McCollough 6, Ana Caldwell 3, Ayrika Caldwell 2 and Jabria Burks 2. Nya Allen scored 25 points and Lizzy Woodfaulk added 12 to lead the Lady Cats.



Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield (10) eyes a path to the basket. Whitfield scored a total of 40 points in two games last week to help Elba up mits record to 5-2 on the season.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

Losing streak reaches five games

Tigers drop area opener to Brantley 73-43

The Elba Tigers returned to action last week after a short holiday break and saw their losing streak reach five games with a 73-43 home court loss to the Brantley Bulldogs and a 43-41 road loss to the Ariton Purple Cats.

Following are recaps of both games:

Brantley 73 Elba 43

The Elba Tigers were back on the court Thursday night and opened area play with a 73-43 home court loss to the Brantley Bulldogs.

Brantley's Andre Parks and Julius Sylvester combined for 19 points in the opening quarter to help the Bulldogs race out to an early 19-7 lead, and while the Elba defense did pick up its intensity in the second quarter and limited Brantley to 15 points, the Tigers continued to struggle and hit only 4 of 10 free-throw attempts as they went in at the half trailing 34-17.

Elba's Javante Griggs and Jacob Watkins combined for 10 points in the third quarter as the Tigers began to find their way to the goal. However, Brantley's Andre Parks scored 13 points in the stanza to match the Tigers output, and then poured in 16 points in the fourth quarter and hit a trio of three-pointers as the Bulldogs ran away with the 73-43 win over the Tigers.

Javante Griggs scored 13 points and Jacob Watkins added 12 to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Jihaad Wood 8, Laquatos Edwards 5, Zay Williams 2, Cassidy Carpenter 2 and Jay Wilson 1.

Andre Parks scored 41 points and Julius Sylvester added 17 to lead Brantley.

(JV Boys)

The Elba Tigers fell behind early and never caught up in a 44-29 home court loss to the Brantley Bulldogs.

The Tigers scored only four points in the first quarter to trail 13-4 heading into quarter number two, but battled in the next two quarters and stayed within striking distance as they trailed 32-24 heading into the final stanza. Brantley regained command late; however, and pulled away to hand the Tigers the 44-29 defeat.

Levi Martin scored 12 points to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Kyavian Stoudemire 5, Matthew McCart 5, Easton McKelvy 3, Powell Bane 2 and Lewis Johnson 2. Brantley, which connected on seven three-pointers in the win, was led by Kevin Freeman with 14 points and Asa Blackmon with 12.

Ariton 43 Elba 41

The Elba Tigers battled for all four quarters in a hard fought 43-41 road loss to the Ariton Purple Cats.

Elba jumped out to an early 1-0 lead on a free-throw by Jacob Watkins, but watched Ariton score the next five points of the game to take a 5-1 lead and remain on top for the remainder of the quarter as the Purple Cats carried an 11-6 lead into quarter number two. Ariton extended its lead to 16-8 early in the second quarter, but the Tigers battled back behind the outside shooting of Jay Wilson to grab a 19-18 lead with 2:54 left in the half and went in at intermission clinging to a 21-20 advantage.

Ariton scored the first eight points of the third quarter to move ahead 28-21with 6:21 left in the stanza, and while Elba did get within 28-26 with 3:56 remaining on a three-pointer by Javante Griggs, the Purple Cats regained late and were on top 34-26 heading into the fourth quarter. Jacob Watkins sparked a 6-0 Elba run rally early in the final stanza to pull the Tigers within 34-32, and when Watkins muscled his way inside for a basket with 3:22 left on the clock Elba had pulled even at 37-37. Ariton scored four straight points to regain the lead at 41-37 with 1:39 remaining, and while the Tigers battled until the final horn, they never again caught the 'Cats and suffered the 43-41 road loss

Jacob Watkins scored 13 points and Javante Griggs added 12 to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Jay Wilson 9, Jihaad Wood 4 and Zay Williams 3. Addison Senn scored 14 points and Conner Davidson added 11 points to lead Ariton.

(JV Boys)

The Elba Tigers pulled ahead early and never lost command in an impressive 30-18 road win over the Ariton Purple Cats. The Tigers tossed a shut-out in the opening quarter to grab a 7-0 lead, extended their lead to 14-2 late in the half and opened up a 17-4 lead early in the third quarter as they rolled to the big 30-18 road win.

Levi Martin scored 15 points to lead Elba, while also scoring for the Tigers were Kyavian Stoudemire 7, Easton McKelvy 4 and Matthew McCart 4. Avant Jones and Paxton Cravens both scored six points to lead the Purple Cats.

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CHURCH & AREA NEWS

This group of high school FFA students helped serve attendees for the 2024 Coffee County Farm City Banquet held in November at the Coffee County Farm Center in New Brockton, Ala.

Homecoming set for Jan. 19 at Roeton Baptist Church

Roeton Baptist Church will celebrate Homecoming on Sunday, Jan. 19, with services beginning at 10:30 a.m.

The guest minister for Homecoming Services will be Bro. Joe Underwood. Special music will be provided by Jennifer Hollis and Denise Tipton (pianist). A covered dish lunch will follow the services inside the church fellowship hall.

All are invited to attend.

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What does the Bible say about... The Church?

Article written by Douglas Williams

"And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed" (Daniel 2:44).

Jesus said, "On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18).

Again Jesus said, "There are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the Kingdom of God present with power" (Mark 9:1).

"But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you" (Acts 1:8).

"And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:47).

Among other designations the church is also referred to as the Kingdom. The Old Testament foretold the coming of the church; Christ promised to build it; and as we follow the scriptures we first read of the existence of the church on earth in Acts 2:47 when people obeyed the gospel and were added to the church. Therefore, every reference to the church before Acts 2 speaks of the church being in the future, and every reference to the church after Acts 2 speaks of the church being in existence.

So many things are said about the church in the Bible to show that it is the greatest institution in the world. For example, Jesus is the builder, the head, the Savior, the foundation, and He purchased the church with His own blood (Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 5:23; Corinthians 3:11; Acts 20:28).

It is sad that people have said that the church is not important, because the Bible speaks of the church as the spiritual body of Christ and the bride of Christ (Ephesians 1:22-23; Colossians 1:18, 24; Romans 7:4; Revelation 21:9). Salvation and all spiritual blessings are in Christ (Ephesians 1:3), and to be in Christ is to be in the church, because Jesus is the Savior of the church, and adds those who are saved to the church (Ephesians 5:23; Acts 2:47).

We read in Acts 2 that the church was established on the earth in the first century in the city of Jerusalem as was predicted by the Old Testament prophets. John the Baptist and Jesus also foretold the coming of the church, or kingdom, as they preached, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 3:2; 4:17) It is near or getting closer.

The church is to wear the name of Christ because it belongs to Him, as Paul said in Romans 16:16, "The churches of Christ greet you."

Round and About w/ Eria's Daughter

334-282-2200

Scripture: Jeremiah 29:11

Thinking of You! Praying for You.
Kimberly Kelley, Ilaya Smiley, Mavis E. Kelley, Kim Rideaux, Tonya Smith, Dwight Long, Alan Belcher, Dorothy Tillis, Layita Jackson, Melvin Stallworth

January Birthdays
Christina Nelson 1/18
Tommy Robinson 1/19
Alex Hutchinson 1/22
Faye Manning 1/22
Steve Williams 1/22
Cool Breeze 1/22

A Pesky Fly
George Whitefield, the famous eighteenth century English evangelist, preached his first sermon in Gloucester when he was only 21-years-old. As a result of that first powerful sermon, a complaint was registered against him that he had driven several people mad! Whitefield's superior was unperturbed by the complaint and stated that it was his hope that the madness would not be forgotten before the next Sunday! Whether the following ever happened is uncertain, but the story is told of one man who wanted to see the great preacher, but not hear him. (Perhaps he feared the madness mentioned above!)
He climbed a tree near where Whitefield was speaking, perched himself on a branch, and stuck a finger in each of his ears. A pesky fly landed on his nose and wouldn't be shook off. At the exact moment that the man removed a hand from his ear to deal with the fly, the preacher quoted Matthew 11:15: "He that hath ears to hear, let him hear."
The man did just that and listened intently to the rest of the sermon. The result of opening his ears was that he also opened his heart. It was true in this case, as it is in all others…that "faith cometh by hearing." – T.T.

Question / Answer Section
Q/A for the Week of 1/9/25
Q: After Moses' death, whom did the Lord appoint to lead the children of Israel into the promise land?
A: Joshua [Joshua 1:1]
Q: What physical barrier had to be overcome before the children of Israel could enter the promise land?
A: The Jordan River [Joshua 1:2]

Thought to Remember
The testing of your faith, produces patience.

Q/A for the Week of 1/16/24
Q: God told Samuel that the Lord sees not as man sees for man looks on the _____ appearance but the Lord looks on the _____.
Q: How long was David king over Judah in Hebron, and how long was he king over all Israel and Judah in Jerusalem?

Today is a good day! Be grateful.
Eria's Daughter, Sue

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Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN

ABOUNDING GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship. . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m

ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.
Richard Thorn Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship. . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service .7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH
Will Jordan, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 6:30 p.m.

BETHEL AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed Bible Study . . . 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class . . 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . . . 5:30 p.m.
Even Worship . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH
Remonia Smith, Pastor
Church Service . . . . 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night. . . . . .7:00 p.m.

COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH
Sunday Fellowship . 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship. . .10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal . . . . . 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer. . . 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Meet . . 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Bible Study . . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship. . . . 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night. . . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Billy Janes, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

ELBA METHODIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Lovell Martin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning . . 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLYS OF GOD - KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

HAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Morn. Worship . . . . 8:45 a.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Shirlie Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . .7:00 p.m.

HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH
Mark Cooper, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:30 p.m.
Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer . . . . .9:30 a.m.
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service. . .11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .6:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Danny Branch, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Chad Fuller, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:45 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH
Heath Fountain, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . . .10:00 a.m
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service . . .9:45 a.m.
Sunday Service . . .10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service . . . . 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Tom & Barbara Davis, Interim Pastors
Sunday School . . . . 9:15 a.m.
Fellowship. . . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Time . .5:30 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study. . 6:00 p.m.

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.
Linda Williams, Pastor
Sunday . . . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even. . . . . 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Morning Worship . . 9:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening . . .7:00 p.m.
Friday Evening . . . .7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Hubert McWaters, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship. . .6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:30 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School . . . .9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed . . . . . 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST CHURCH
Allen Dieas, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Even. Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT CHURCH
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Lorearl Flowers, Minister
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st, - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School 9:45
Morn. Worship. 11:00
Evening Worship. 6.00
Wed. Worship. 7:00

PRAISE & GLORY WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service . . . . . 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . .9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH
Kerry Saxon, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 7:00 p.m.

SHADY GROVE AME
James Boots, Pastor
Sunday School . . . .10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study . . 6:00 p.m.

SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH
Leon Fortune, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILLCOMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Noon Worship . . . . . 12 noon
Even. Service . . . . .7:00 p.m.
Youth Ser. Mon. . . . 7:00 p.m.
Wed Bible Class. . . 7:00 p.m.
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba
Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class.7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH
James Preachers, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . .10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . .11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . .5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School . . . . 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship . . . . .7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship . . 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. . 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School . . . . 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH
Lucas Taylor, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:30 p. m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service . . . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wed Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
Donnie Marler, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet . 6:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School . . . 10:00 a.m.
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COMMUNITY NEWS

RWCC meeting set for Jan. 15th in Enterprise

The Republican Women of Coffee County (RWCC) will meet Wednesday, Jan. 15, at 11:00 am, at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

The guest speaker will be Tiffany Noel, president of the Alabama Federation of Republican Women. She will discuss AFRW plans for 2025 and also some of the bills that will be introduced in the upcoming Alabama Legislative session.

The doors open at 11:00; an optional $15 buffet starts at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately noon. Everyone is invited, but reservations are required. Please RSVP no later than Saturday, January 11, 8 pm, to Pam at email: rwcclunchreservations@gmail.com Please indicate if planning to eat.

For more information, call Pam at 334-806-8888.

The Elba Clipper office will be closed Monday, Jan. 20, in observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

ELBA HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2025

As we step into a fresh new year, let's embrace the possibilities that lie ahead! Set your goals high, chase your dreams and remember that every challenge is an opportunity to grow. Make 2025 your year to shine, both inside and outside the classroom. Happy New Year!

Reminders!

*Students Return- January 8th
*Please continue to encourage your 7th- 8th- 9th grade students to practice skills in IREADY daily and 10th-11th-12th grade students to practice ACT tests on ACT.ORG. We want them to SHINE! (Mrs. Brunson has ACT Waivers to take ACT for FREE if you need one!

*Please also help us to encourage students to abide by Cell Phone Policy and Dress Code

Upcoming Events

- FAFSA Night for Seniors and Parents- January 9th 3:30 to 5:30 pm- EHS Computer Lab
- Open House/Report Card Pick up- January 9th- 5:30 pm-7:00 pm
- EHS PTO Meeting- January 13th @ 6:30 pm- BRING A FRIEND!
- ESCC Trio- January 14th-On Campus for Enrolled Students
- WIDA Testing- January 24th & 27th
- Guidance Lessons w/Ms. Brunson- 27th (7th& 8th), 28th (9th & 10th), & 29th (11th & 12th)
- LBW Parent Night for Dual Enrollment- January 28th @ 5:30 pm
- Continue to Support our Basketball Teams! Go Tigers! Senior Night- January 28th
- Help us also Support our Softball, Baseball, Golf and Track Teams with upcoming events and games!
- Ms. Elbala- February 1st
- ESCC Scholarship Application Session- February 4th @ 8 am for Seniors
- Blood Drive- February 11th- 8 am -4pm
- Guidance Lessons w/Ms. Brunson- 11th-13th
- Progress Reports- February 12th
- February 14th- Teacher Work Day
- February 17th- School Holiday

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The Elba Masonic Lodge 170 held a special called meeting Saturday, Dec. 7, to initiate Shane Spears into the lodge. Everyone enjoyed the food, fellowship, and work for the day. Pictured: (front) Drexell Richards, Allan Crenshaw, Robbie Wehunt, Bridge Harrison, Mike Amison E/A William Mark Fitzgerald, Michael Phelps, Mike Murphy, Ronnie Rawls, Eddie Kelley, Scott Cole, Larry Shaw, and Johnny Davis; (middle) James Beasley, Thomas Danner, Steve Green, Daniel Stephens, David Turner, Tom Strickland, Chris Miller, Johnny Ray Davis, Duran McNeil, Will Moore, Tom Nesbit, Jerry Evans, and Jeff Skeen; and (back) Tommy Morrow. Picture by Harry Young

U.S. Senator Katie Britt named Deputy Whip

U.S. Senator Katie Britt (R-Ala.) this week was named deputy whip by the new Majority Whip, Senator John Barrasso (R-Wyo.). As deputy whip, Senator Britt will play a pivotal role in uniting the Republican conference and supporting President Trump's agenda.

"I am honored Senator Barrasso chose me to join his team as one of the deputy whips. Our new Senate Republican majority has a tremendous opportunity to get things done and enact President Trump's agenda. As deputy whip, I am excited to help unite our conference and make a difference in the lives of hardworking Americans," said Senator Britt.

"I'm glad to have Katie as a member of our Whip Team. Katie is a fearless fighter for families and forgotten Americans. Her guiding principle is opportunity for all, especially our children. She works every day in the Senate to save our country and pass along a brighter future to the next generation. Katie is an incredible advocate for family-first solutions," said Senate Majority Whip John Barrasso.

Other Senators named deputy whip include: Senators Jim Banks (R-Ind.), Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.), John Cornyn (R-Texas), Deb Fischer (R-Neb.), James Lankford (R-Okla.), Markwayne Mullin (R-Okla.), Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska), Thom Tillis (R-N.C.), and Todd Young (R-Ind.).

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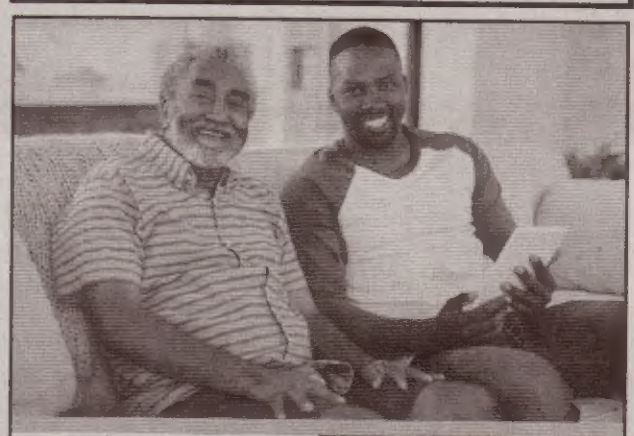

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